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TURN THE WORLD UPSIDE-DOWN

Funny how the world changes in 90 days.

In issue 3, our lead story "Hopes and Fears" touched upon anti-gay violence. It's a delicate subject, one which always is waiting in the background for every gay man and woman.

Mere weeks after doing our story, Matthew Shepard, a college student in Wyoming, died at the hands of two bigots. What set Matthew's death apart from other anti-gay violence is not the crime (gay-bashing is on the rise in the United States, and gays are targeted by government forces in many Third World countries), but the coverage it received. Suddenly, everyone in America was forced to pull their heads out of the sand and admit that evil still walks among us, in the streets, in the halls of government, and in the pulpit.

Watch out for each other. Be careful. Real Life doesn't always have a happy ending.

LOOKING FORWARD

This issue is a mixture of the serious and the silly. With five (count 'em! Five!) stories, there's a little bit of everything. We'd like to welcome Frank Gembeck, Chuck Davies, and Chris Sawyer to our pages, and introduce Robin Leigh as the first person other than Lance to write for our little project. Terrie Smith is also back, once again chronicling Ricky's hopeless infatuation with Steven.

And issue five… that'll be a fun one. We'll meet Daniel's parents, celebrate the new year, and learn a bit about how "Mister" David educates people.

DOUBLE-YOU-DOUBLE-YOU-DOUBLE-YOU

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And if you're in the mood for an extremely silly contest, take a peek at this super-secret little bit:

http://www.arclight.net/asb/contest4

See you in 90!

Lance Rund
Chris McKinley

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"Sugar And Spice"

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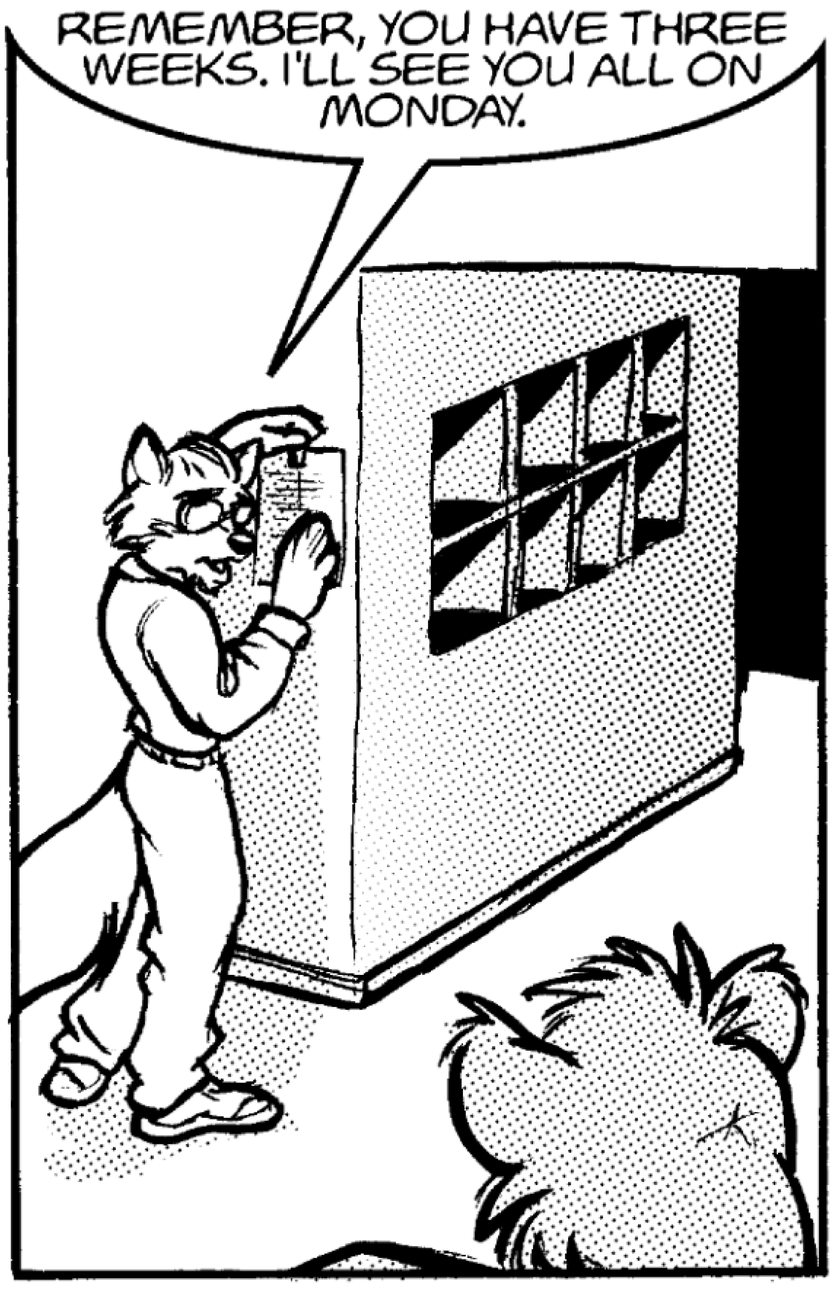

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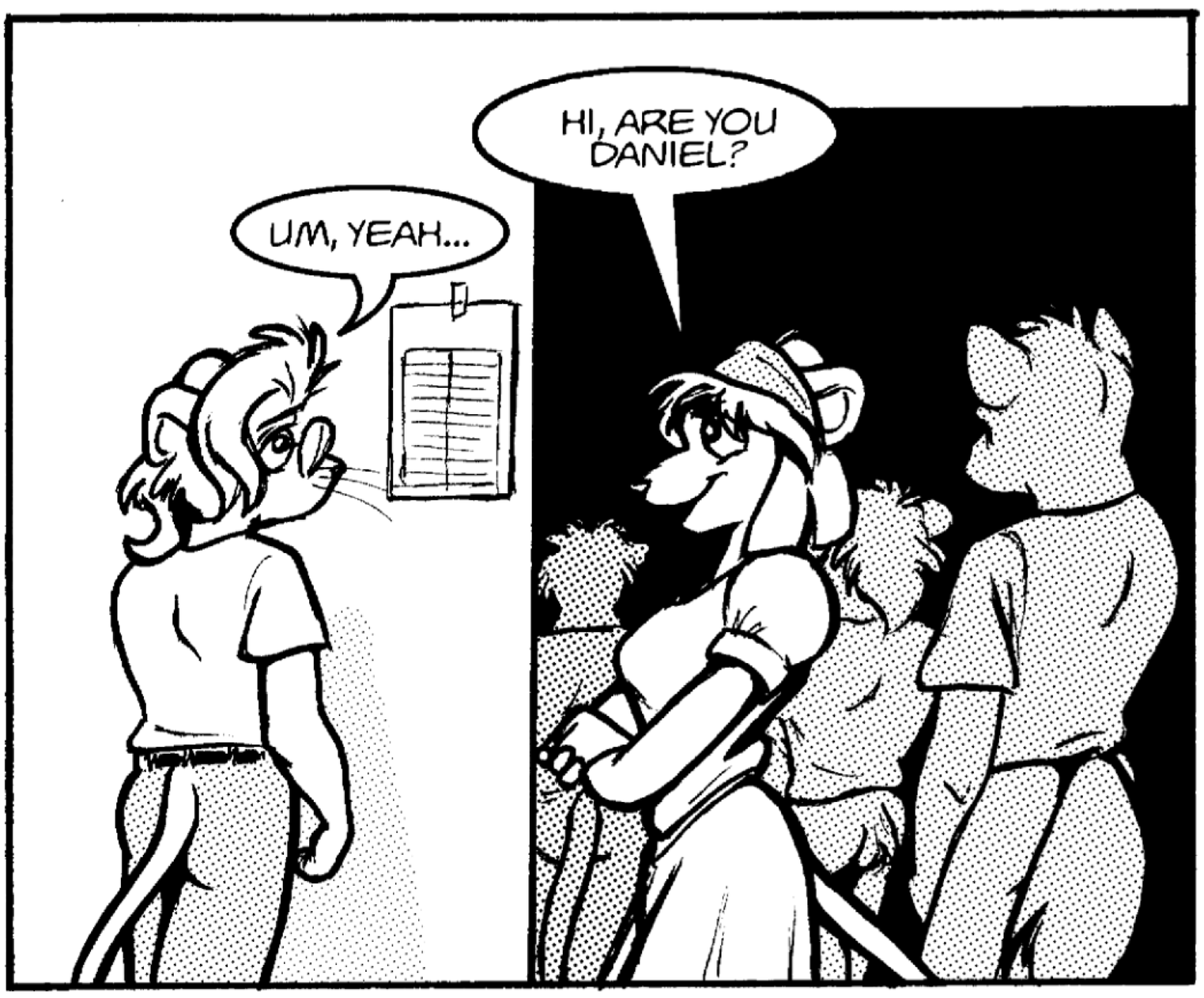

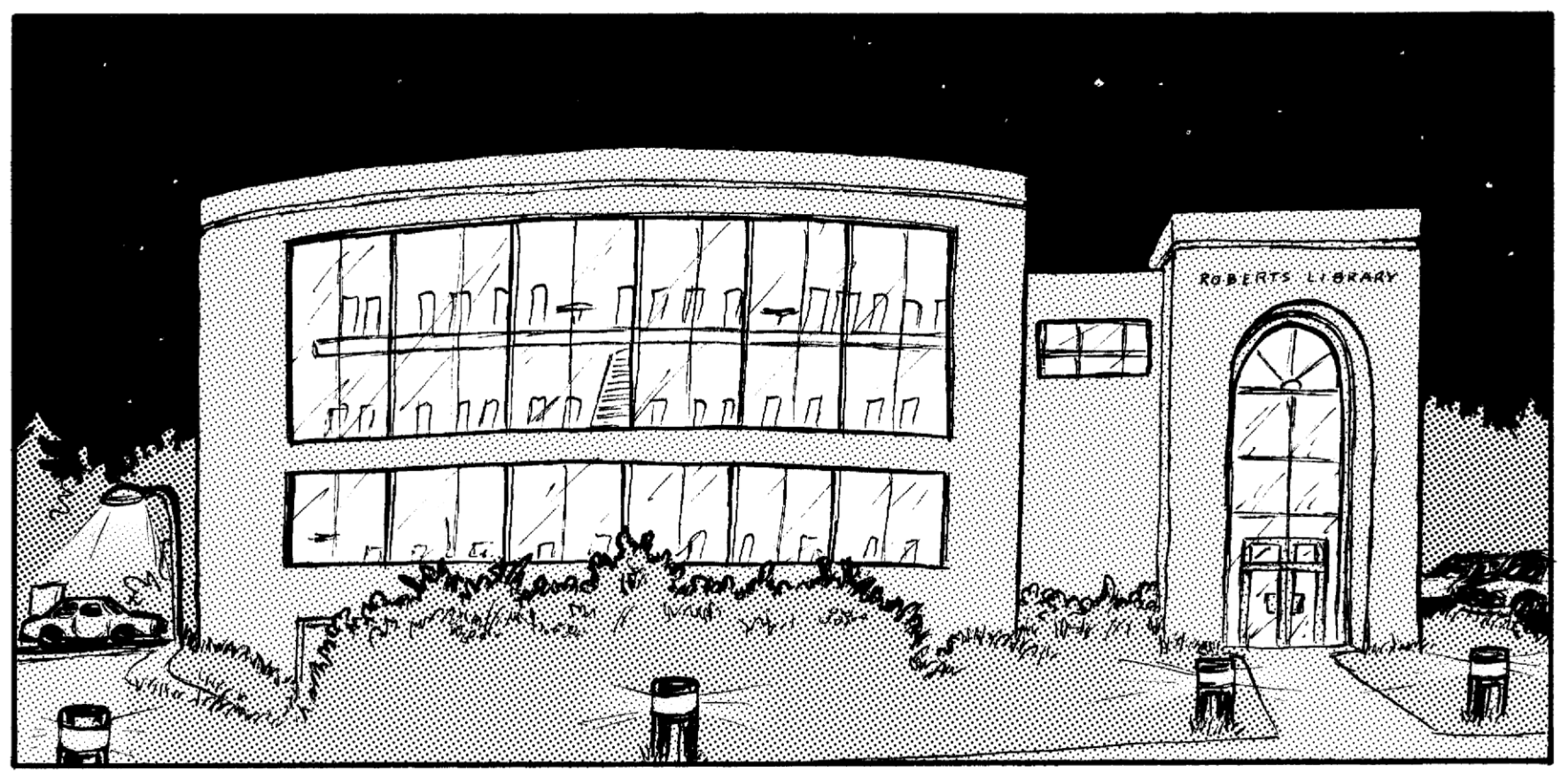
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EVERYONE ALWAYS SAYS, "TOLKIEN? OH! YOU MEAN *THE HOBBIT!*"...
GEEZ, YEAH. IT'S SO NICE TO MEET SOMEONE WHO KNOWS.

AH! LOOK-- HERE'S "UNFINISHED TALES"!
OH YEAH... I'VE SEEN THAT BUTT. ER, THAT **BOOK**...

OKAY, I FOUND THESE... THIS ONE'S ABOUT WORLD WAR ONE, AND THIS IS A BIOGRAPHY OF C.S. LEWIS. IT HAS A CHAPTER ON TOLKIEN.

THAT'S A GOOD ONE. EVERYTHING I'VE READ ALWAYS FIXATES ON TOLKIEN'S VIEWPOINT.
YEAH! SORT OF LIKE WE DO.

HOO BOY...

HI, DANIEL! YOU'RE OUT LATE TONIGHT...
UH HUH!

YOU'RE LATE!
AND YOU'RE WHACKING OFF!
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE LATE!

WHACK-OFF WOOFS ARE THE BEST KIND.
I'LL ≥EEP!≤ BUY THAT!
GRAB

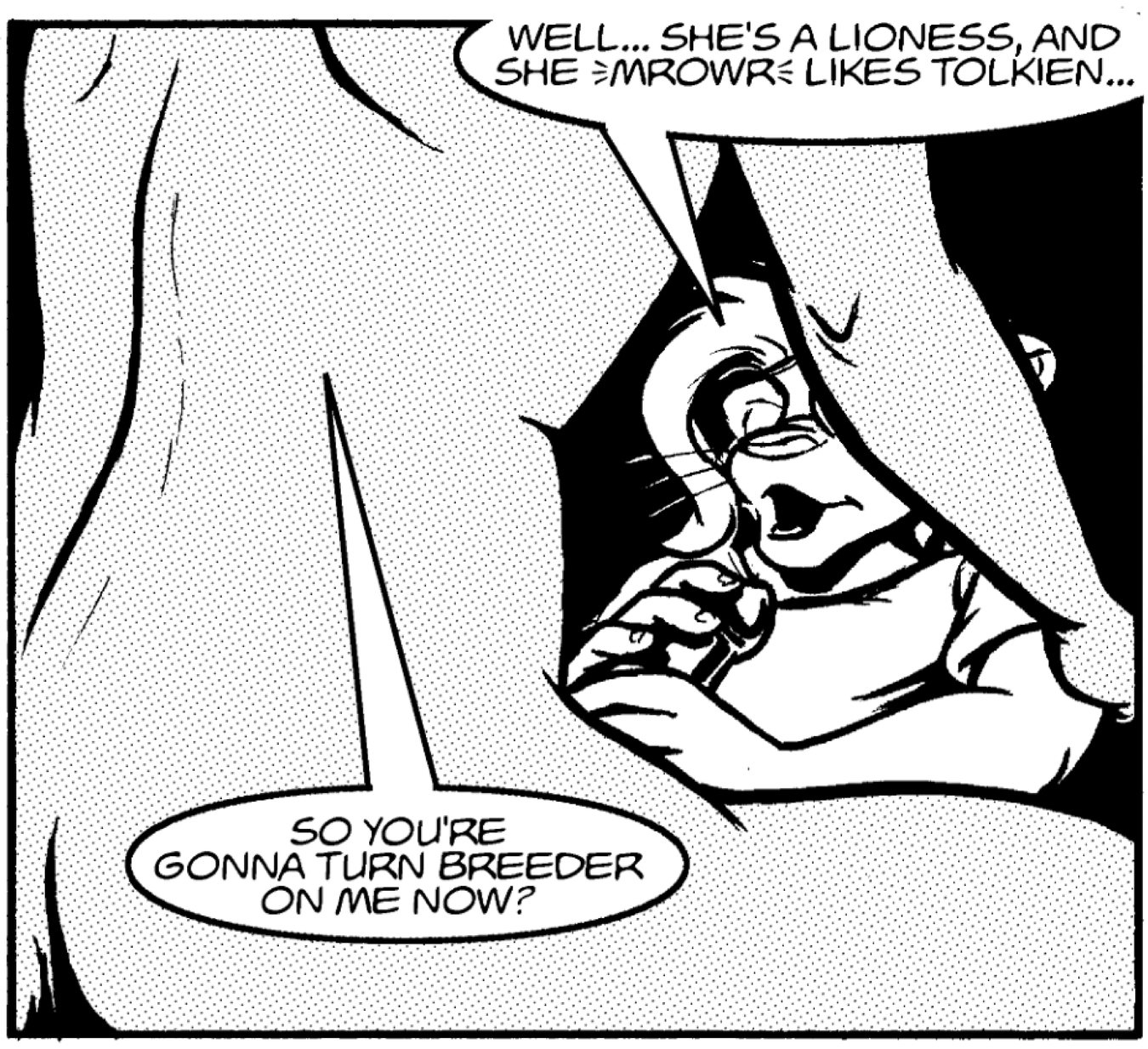
SO WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN, KEEPING ME WAITING AND HORNY? DID YOU FIND ANOTHER GUY?
WELL, IT WAS A GIRL, ACTUALLY...
OH?

YOU'RE GOING TO LEAVE ME FOR A WOMAN, ARE YOU?
WE'RE JUST ON THE SAME TEAM IN LIT CLASS!
SUUURE...
ZZZZZIIIP

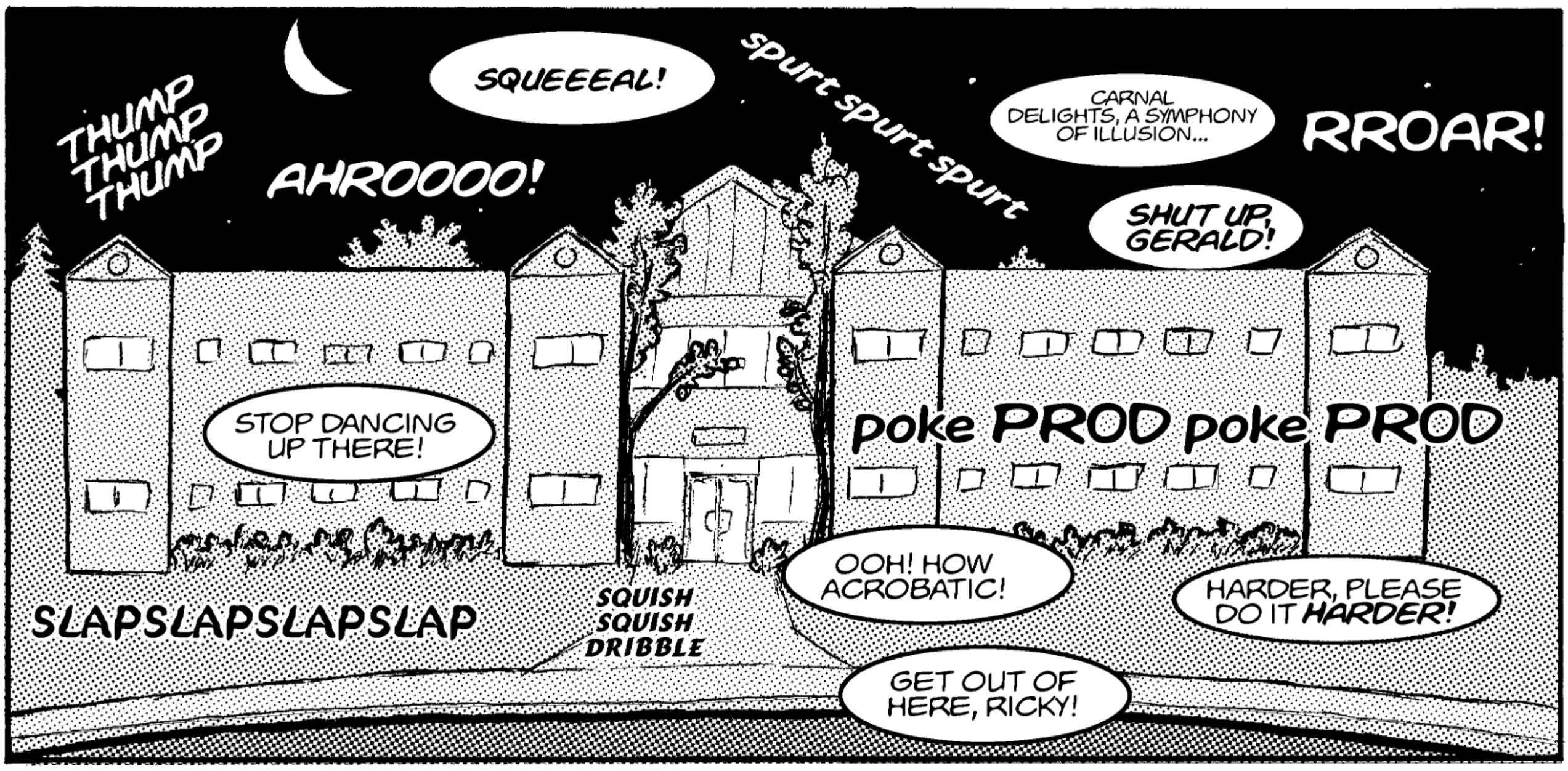
YEAH, I KNOW ABOUT YOU LIONS. YOU'RE GONNA LEAVE ME TO A LIFE OF LONELINESS AND MASTURBATION!

YOU'RE REALLY FRISKY TONIGHT!
DON'T CHANGE THE SUBJECT...

SO TELL ≥NNF!≤ ME ABOUT THIS grunt GIRL
OOH..!


WELL... SHE'S A LIONESS, AND SHE ≥MROWR≤ LIKES TOLKIEN...
SO YOU'RE GONNA TURN BREEDER ON ME NOW?

NO WAY! YOU HAVE A BETTER COCK.
DAMN RIGHT I DO!


THUMP THUMP THUMP
SQUEEEAL!
AHROOOO!
spurt spurt spurt
CARNAL DELIGHTS, A SYMPHONY OF ILLUSION...
RROAR!
SHUT UP, GERALD!
STOP DANCING UP THERE!
poke PROD poke PROD
SLAPSLAPSLAPSLAP
SQUISH SQUISH DRIBBLE
OOH! HOW ACROBATIC!
HARDER, PLEASE DO IT HARDER!
GET OUT OF HERE, RICKY!

I NEVER THOUGHT I'D ENJOY AN ENGLISH CLASS!
YEAH, THIS IS GONNA KICK ASS!

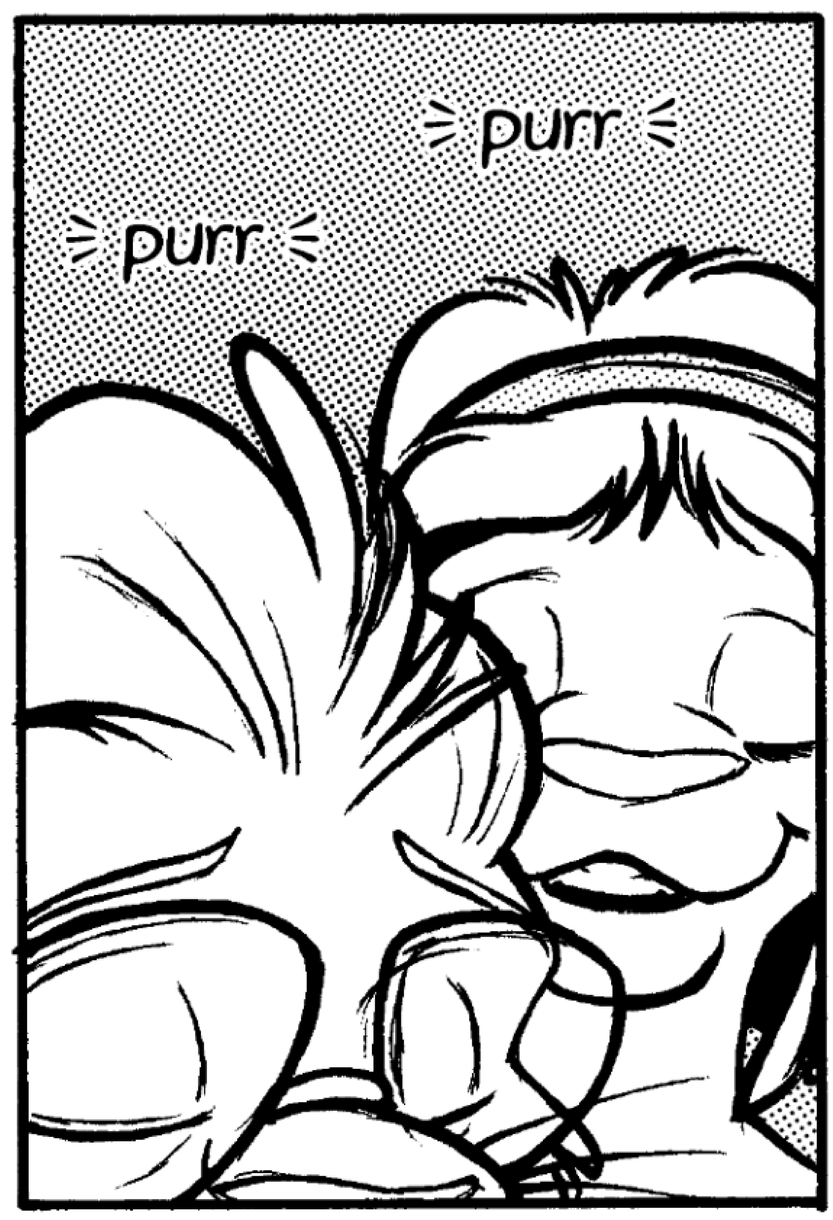
"LITERARY ICONS UNDERGO A TRANSITION FROM ORDINARY AUTHOR TO CULTURAL LEGEND. LET'S EXAMINE HOW THIS PROCESS BLAH BLAH BLAH..."

I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS IS DUE TOMORROW.
TIME FLIES...

EWWW!
EEEK
AHHH..!

HERE, LET ME TAKE CARE OF THAT.

MMMM...
DANIEL, YOU'RE SO TENSE... YOU NEED TO RELAX!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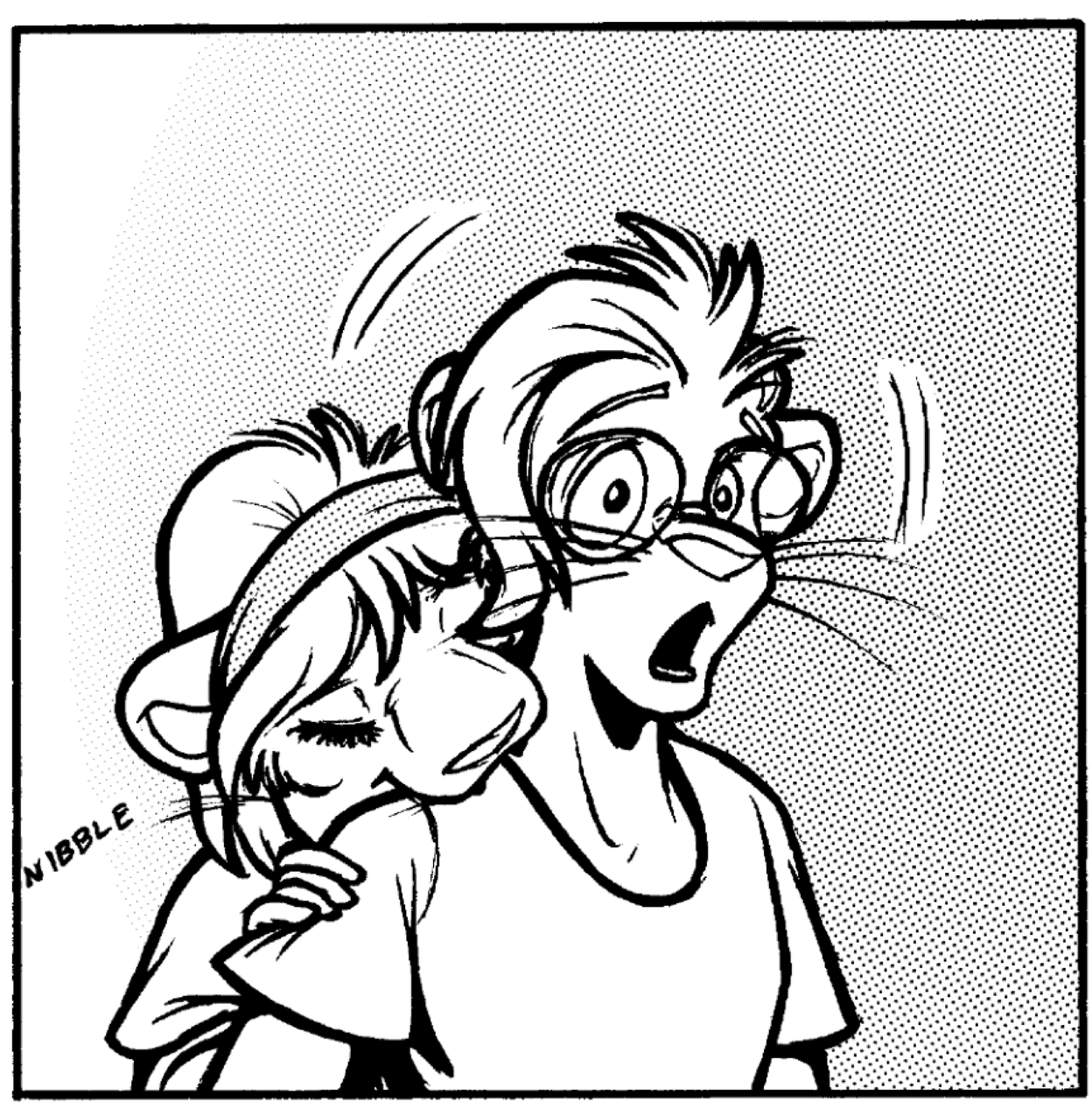
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DANIEL..? WHAT'S WRONG?

I DIDN'T MEAN TO SCARE YOU OFF. AM I MOVING TOO FAST?
I'M SORRY... I DIDN'T EXPECT...

IT'S JUST... I REALLY LIKE YOU, DANIEL. I'D LIKE US TO BE MORE THAN JUST CLASSMATES.

THAT'S REALLY GREAT, BUT, UM...
DO YOU ALREADY HAVE A GIRLFRIEND?
NO...

YOU DON'T... LIKE ME, THEN?

NO—ER, YES! I MEAN... THAT'S NOT IT.

I'VE SORT OF ALREADY GOT A RELATIONSHIP.
I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU DIDN'T HAVE A GIRLFRIEND..?
I DON'T.

OHH...

UM... ARE YOU OKAY WITH THAT?
YEAH...

BUT HOW COME ALL THE NICE GUYS ARE GAY?

SO... YOU CAN AT LEAST TELL ME ABOUT YOUR GUY!

WELL, LET'S SEE... HE'S A WOLF, AND HE'S MY ROOMMATE...

IS HE GOOD?
YOU BET YOUR BUNS...
NO, YOU BET YOURS.

I'M SO GLAD TO HAVE YOU EVEN AS JUST A FRIEND!
YOU'RE REALLY SPECIAL TOO...

NOW C'MON... WE REALLY HAVE TO GET THIS DONE.
YEAH, I KNOW.

HIYA!

YOU TWO KNOW EACH OTHER?
SURE! WE USED TO DATE, A LONG TIME AGO... AIN'T THAT RIGHT, MARKIE?

OH! DANNY, I JUST SAW OUR GRADE! WE GOT AN "A"!
ALL RIGHT!

DANIEL... THIS IS THE LIONESS YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT?

UM... YEAH...
UM... YEAH.
AND THIS IS THE WOLF YOU WERE TELLING ME ABOUT?

JUST WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN SAYING ABOUT ME?

UH OH...
GULP

WELL, ANYWAY, I KNOW WHY YOU'RE WITH HIM!

SO TELL ME ABOUT DANIEL'S... YOU KNOW...
WELL...
HEY!

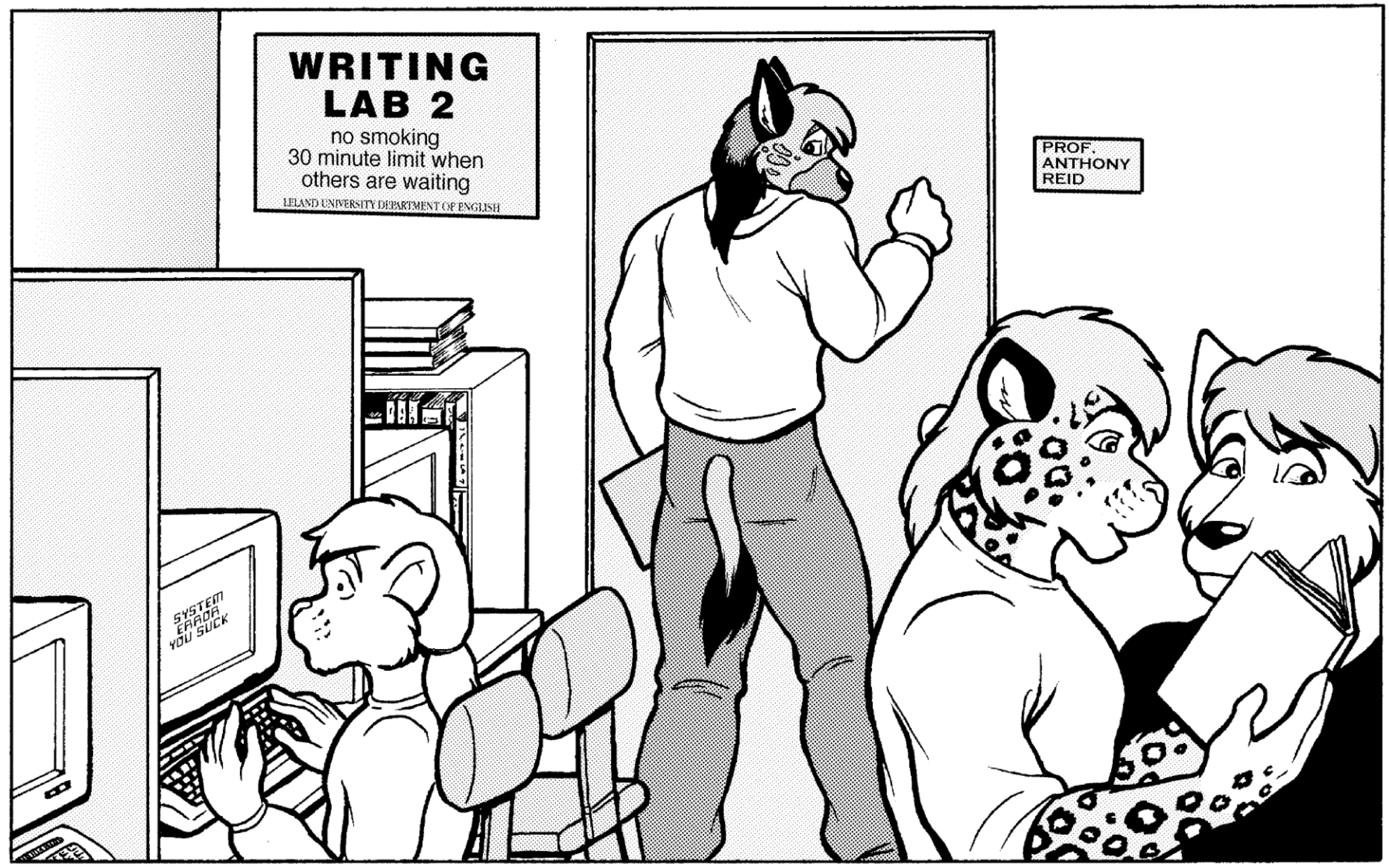
OOH, THAT'S SO CUTE! BUT HOW DOES IT WORK?
LIKE A FIREHOSE! YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE IT!
HEY!

BUT DANNY... YOU DIDN'T WANT TO LET ME FIND OUT FOR MYSELF. I GOTTA KNOW SOMEHOW!

AND I'M GONNA TELL HER *EVERYTHING!*

YOU KNOW WHAT REALLY MAKES HIM SQUEAL, I MEAN, BIG-TIME? YOU REACH DOWN AND TICKLE HIS
HEY, C'MON, STOP IT! MARCUSSSS!
CAN I WATCH SOMETIME?

END.



redemption

story by Robin Leigh

art by Frank Gembeck

THIS IS MUC H BETTER, CHARLES... REMEMBER, THOUGH, EACH IDEA GETS A NEW PARAGRAPH...

AND YOU'RE STILL HAVING PROBLEMS WITH RUN-ON SENTENCES.

I'D RUN THIS THROUGH A SPELL-CHECKER TOO.

NOW, HERE–

OH, FORGET IT!

SNATCH

WHAT DOES A BIG, DUMB, MEAN HYENA KNOW 'BOUT WRITIN' A THESIS ANYHOW?

THIS IS NOT THE WORK OF A DUMB JOCK. AFTER YOU WERE HERE LAST TIME, I DID SOME CHECKING. THERE'S ALMOST NOTHING ABOUT INJURY-PREVENTATIVE EXERCISE FOR DIGITIGRADES*. THIS IS GROUND-BREAKING MATERIAL!
*DIGITIGRADE: "WALKS ON TOES". ANIMALS WITH PAWS INSTEAD OF HUMAN-STYLE FLAT FEET. –EDITOR
THAT DON'T MATTER! I CAN'T GET TH' WORDS TO WORK, SO AIN'T NOBODY GONNA CARE!
I DON'T WANNA SPEND TH' REST OF MY LIFE WORKIN' IN A WAREHOUSE, I WANNA HELP PEOPLE!
≥SNIFF≤ BUT PEOPLE WON'T LISTEN 'LESS THEY THINK I'M GONNA POUND 'EM.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO GIVE IN TO THE HYENA STEREOTYPE.
YOU'RE NOT STUPID. THIS PAPER PROVES THAT. YOU MIGHT NOT BE GOOD WITH WORDS, BUT YOU CAN SEE THROUGH A BRICK WALL, GIVEN TIME.
YOU'VE SEEN WHAT NO ONE ELSE HAS SEEN.
THIS IS GOING TO PREVENT A GREAT DEAL OF INJURIES.
WHAT'S REALLY BOTHERING YOU..?
≥SNIFF≤
I HADDA HURT SOME FRIENDS.

DOES THIS HAVE TO DO WITH THE FOOTBALL PLAYERS WHO ATTACKED THAT LION FRESHMAN?
TH' OTHER GUYS ON TH' TEAM... THEY WANTED TO FINISH DOIN' IT. I HADDA BEAT 'EM UP TO STOP 'EM.

I COULDN'T MAKE 'EM UNNERSTAND!

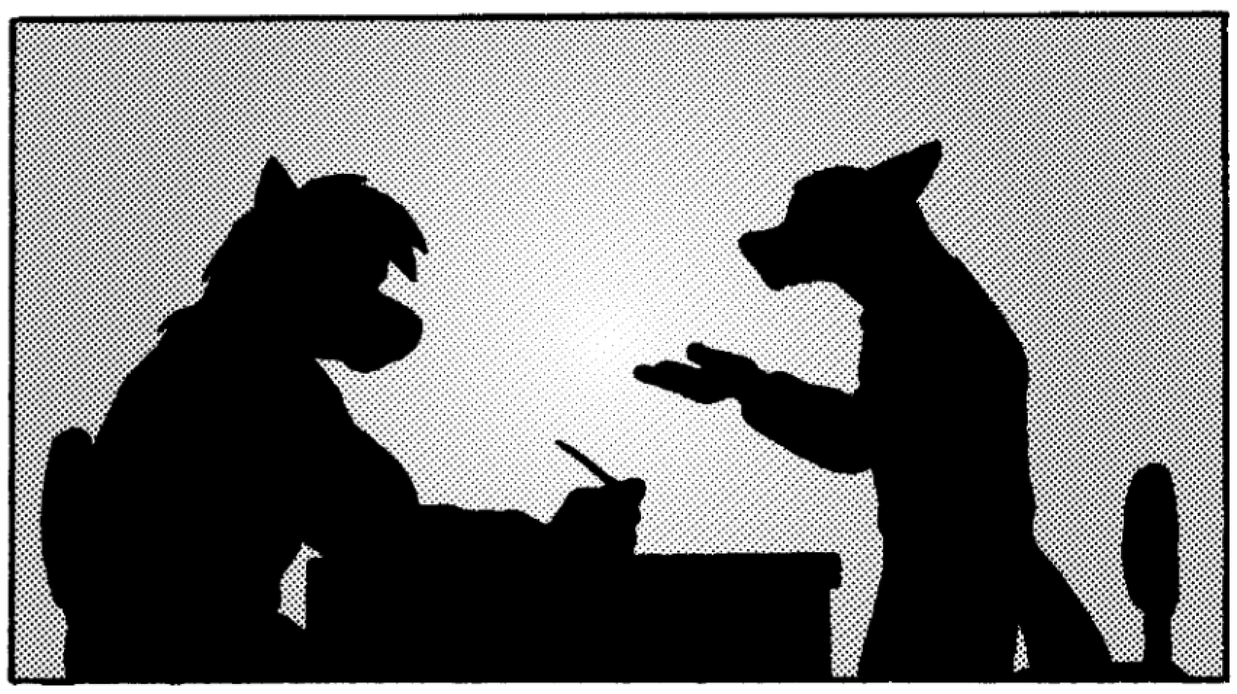
DO NOT DISTURB

I HEAR THE ATTACKERS THOUGHT THEIR TARGET WAS GAY.
DON'T MAKE NO DIFFERENCE.

YOU LIVE IN THE SAME DORM AS THAT LION, DON'T YOU? FOR THE SAME REASON?
SO..?

YOU'RE GAY, BUT YOU'RE ALSO A GREAT ATHLETE. YOU HAVE TROUBLE EXPRESSING YOURSELF, BUT YOU HAVE IMPORTANT, WELL-DONE RESEARCH HERE. IT DOESN'T MATTER THAT YOU'RE A HYENA, AND IT SURE AS HELL DOESN'T MATTER THAT YOU'RE GAY!

ARE YOU..?
NO... AND THAT DOESN'T MATTER EITHER!
I'M JUST SCARED! AIN'T NO ONE GONNA HIRE A QUEER FOR A COACH, AN' EVERYONE THINKS HYENAS ARE DUMB AN' VIOLENT! I *GOTTA* GRADUATE, OR...
BY THE TIME YOU'RE DONE WITH YOUR THESIS, NO ONE WILL THINK YOU'RE DUMB.
IF YOU WORK WITH ME ON THIS, NO ONE WILL SEE A QUEER HYENA. THEY'LL SEE YOUR RESEARCH, YOUR IDEAS, AND YOUR RESULTS.
IF YOU CAN LEARN YOUR TEAM'S PLAYBOOK... IF YOU CAN THINK ON YOUR FEET DURING A GAME, YOU CAN DO THIS. JUST LET ME HELP YOU.
YOU SURE..?
COMPLETELY. LET'S GET TO WORK.
YOU GOT IT!



...AND A YEAR LATER...

FIRE EATERS

ART BY CHRIS MCKINLEY • WRITTEN BY LANCE RUND

MARCUS, ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND?
I THINK DANIEL CAN SPEAK FOR HIMSELF, AND BEAT YOU...
..IF YOU'RE MAN ENOUGH TO GIVE HIM A CHANCE.

OKAY, KID, LET'S SEE WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF. I CHALLENGE YOU!
UM... WHAT DO I GET IF I WIN?

AND IF I LOSE?
YOU GET VINCE.

EEP!
I GET YOU.

WHAT DO I GOTTA DO?
YOU'LL FIND OUT!
OH, GO AHEAD...

I SUPPOSE...
SAY IT LIKE YOU MEAN IT!
OKAY, YOU'RE ON!

WHAT HAVE I GOT MYSELF INTO?
NOW I'M SCARED!
TRUST ME...
HOW ABOUT... ≥WHISPER WHISPER≤
I'LL GET IT ALL SET UP!
PERFECT!

WHAT'S GOING ON?
DAVID'S BEING DAVID AGAIN.
WHICH IS TO SAY, TESTOSTERONE-POISONED.

ANOTHER MACHO CONTEST?
UH HUH... ALWAYS GOOD FOR A LAUGH!
SILLY TIGER!

LET'S DO IT!

OKAY, KITTY-BOY, WE'RE DOING FIRE-EATING... JALAPEÑOS! YOU AND ME, WE EAT 'EM UNTIL ONE OF US GOES FOR THE WATER.

YOU UNDERSTAND?
YEAH...
AND MY PRETTYBOY HERE'LL KEEP US ENTERTAINED.
OOH!

LET'S ROCK.

CRUNCH
CRUNCH

BLEAH...
TOO MUCH FOR YA?

NO, ACTUALLY THESE ARE KINDA WIMPY...
HUH?

I'VE GOT JUST THE THING! I JUST SO HAPPEN TO HAVE A JAR OF PICKLED HABAÑEROS...

COOL!
UH OH...

CRUNCH
CRUNCH

YAY DANNY!
IN OVER YOUR HEAD, TIGER?
NOW THAT'S MORE LIKE IT!

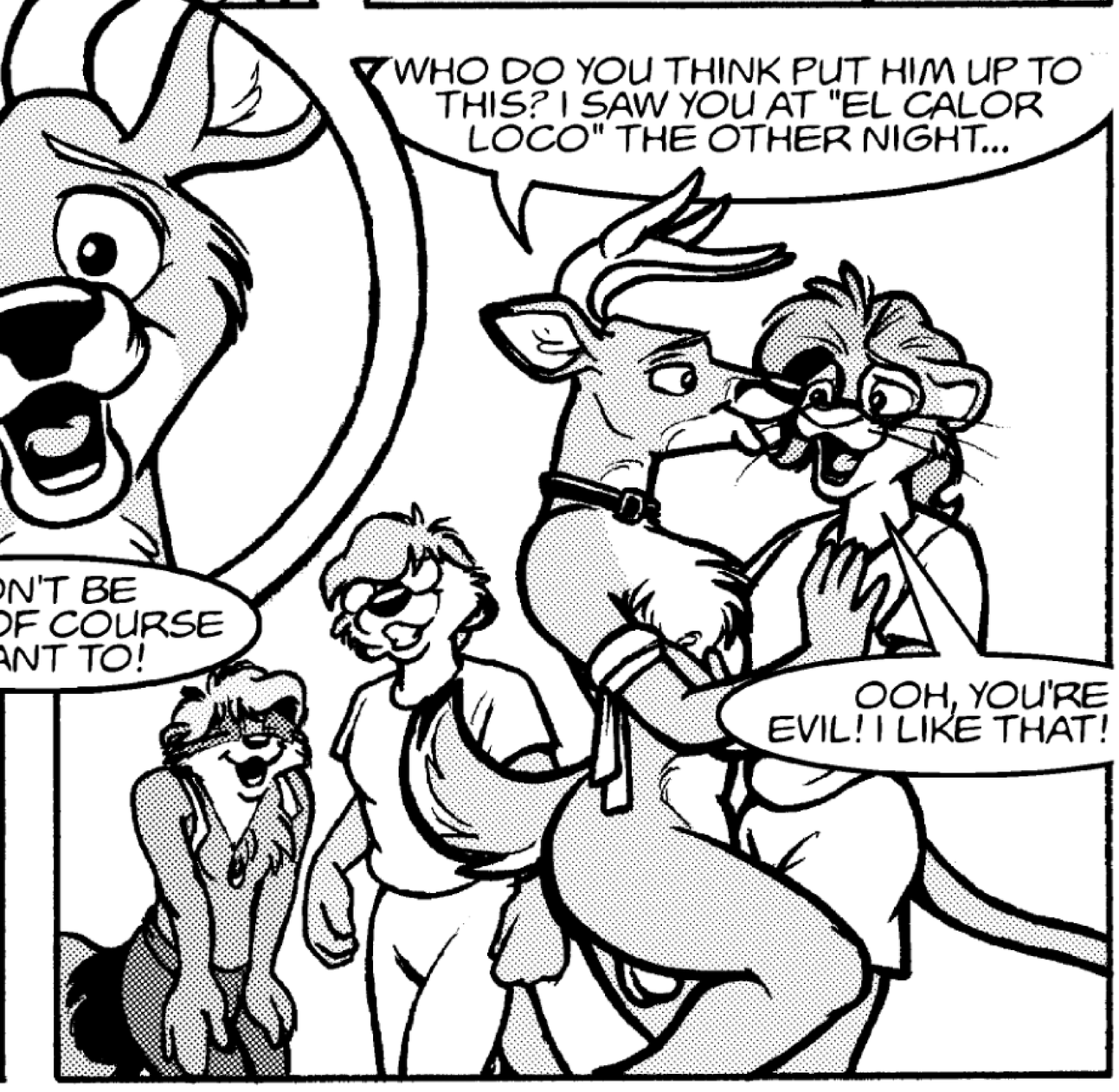
CRAZY PE
HABANERO

WHIMPER
MMM...
CRUNCH

YAY!
GODDAMMIT!
GOOSH

HOW, HOW..?
OH, I GREW UP WITH HOT FOOD! I LOVE IT!

I... CONCEDE. CLAIM YOUR PRIZE...
UM, HIYA...
UM, HIYA!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO, I MEAN, YOU'RE NOT...


WHO DO YOU THINK PUT HIM UP TO THIS? I SAW YOU AT "EL CALOR LOCO" THE OTHER NIGHT...
DON'T BE SILLY! OF COURSE I WANT TO!
OOH, YOU'RE EVIL! I LIKE THAT!

PLAY NICE!
TELL US ALL ABOUT IT!
OH, DAVID..?
HUH?

BURNS TWICE...
AAAAAAUUUUUGGGHH

END.

"Cherry On Top"

ART BY CHUCK DAVIES
WRITTEN BY LANCE RUND

"Scrapbook"

ART BY TERRIE SMITH
STORY BY LANCE RUND
ASSIST BY GLEN WOOTEN

TIME FER ME TA GO TO PRACTICE... OOH, YOU GOT YER NEW TOUCH-YERSELF MAG?
YEAH, BUT I CAN'T READ IT TIL I GET DONE WITH MY HOMEWORK.
THAT'S GOOD MOTIVATION YOU GOT!
MOTIVATE, MASTURBATE, GRADUATE!
BEHAVE NOW! NO WETSPOTS!
I'LL SAVE SOME FOR YOU!
≥ WHIMPER ≤
YAY! ALL DONE!

OOH, HE'S CUTE...

AND HE'S PRETTY, TOO...
PLAYGAL

I WISH I HAD A WEENIE LIKE THAT...

OOH! THEY HAVE SOME GUYS FROM LELAND!
PLAYGAL

FLIP
PLAYGAL

STEEEEEVEN!!!

RICKY! WHAT--
PLAYGAL
STEVEN PARIS-
LELAND COLLEGE
JUNIOR
THIS IS YOU! WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN HERE?
OH... ONE OF MY GIRLFRIENDS BEFORE JENNIFER TOOK THOSE PICTURES, AND SENT THEM IN. I NEVER THOUGHT THEY WERE SERIOUS WHEN THEY SENT ME THE LETTER AND THE RELEASE FORM.

SO IT'S OKAY FOR SOME HUSSY TO TAKE PICTURES OF YOU NAKED AND SEND THEM OUT FOR EVERY STRANGER TO SEE?
I DIDN'T THINK ANYTHING WOULD HAPPEN...
OF COURSE THEY PUT YOU IN... YOU'RE PERFECT!
SNIFF
THESE PICTURES GAVE YOU TO EVERYONE EXCEPT ME.
I DIDN'T MEAN TO HURT YOU.
PLAYGAL
I WANT TO MAKE IT UP TO YOU. I KNOW YOU'VE WANTED TO TAKE SOME PICTURES OF ME. IF YOU STILL WANT THEM... I'LL POSE FOR YOU.
CAN I REALLY?
ON TWO CONDITIONS. ONE, THESE PICTURES ARE FOR YOU ONLY.
I PROMISE! AND THE SECOND...?
PLAYGAL
TUCK YOURSELF IN. YOU'RE... LEAKING.
EEP!

≥ WHIIINE ≤

AWW, DON'T BE SHY! I GET TO SEE YOUR WEENIE EVERY DAY IN THE SHOWER!

SOMEHOW IT'S DIFFERENT THIS TIME...

DON'T WORRY, I KNOW THE RULES! LOOK BUT DON'T TOUCH!

I'LL GIVE YOU MY HONEST BEST!

END.

LETTERS FROM HOME

Dear Mom, College is great! My roommate is weird.
Could you send me some money?

Rather than print specific letters (most of our letters-of-comment are actually short emails, and aren't quite the thing for a letters page, nice though they may be for us to receive) this time, we're going to sum up some of the feedback we've been getting and respond all at once. How lazy of us!

Reader: Attaboy!
ASB Staff: Thank you!

Readers: We like the main story, but the backups are a distraction.
ASB Staff: ASB isn't intended to be monolithic. While the Marcus/Daniel story is the "meat", life would be boring without variety. The backups are a place for the sillier stuff, the sexier stuff (usually), and the occasional very serious stuff that just doesn't fit into the main storyline. Remember, ASB is giving you 32 pages of zero-advertisement crunchy gay furry goodness! If you take out the backups, chances are we STILL have more "main story" than many of the 20-pages-of-story-12-pages-of-advertisements comics out there. ASB is like a buffet. Take what you like, and just don't worry about the rest.

Readers: How about doing a story about...
ASB Staff: Thanks much, but ASB is already plotted out and the stories taken care of all the way to the end.

Readers: The story's predictable. We knew that (homophobia, heterosexual temptation, parental issues, etc.) were coming!
ASB Staff: Good! That means the story makes sense, is relevant, and is plausible. ASB isn't about space alien abductions, government conspiracies, or falling anvils. ASB is intended to be an only-somewhat-distorted mirror of the kinds of issues that gay people in the real world contend with.

We'd also like to mention a couple of other gay-positive funny animal comics and comic strips out there (they're rare, but they DO exist... and if you know of others... TELL US!).

SHANDA FANTASY ARTS

The entire range of products from Shanda Fantasy Arts, featuring the long-running "Shanda the Panda", is an excellent example of a good attitude towards diversity. The best way to sum up Shanda would be "adult-themed funny animal soap opera". Check them out! (Hi, Mike and Carol!)

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